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Re: Enclosed Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/690,988  
Our Reference: NGB.315

Dear Examiner Lerner:

Enclosed is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, which we request that you enter and which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



James E. Howard, Esq.

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Enclosure

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of**

Matsuno et al.

**Serial No.:** 10/690,988

**Group Art Unit:** 3611

**Filed:** October 23, 2003

**Examiner:** Lerner, Avraham H.

**For:** DIFFERENTIAL LIMITING CONTROL APPARATUS FOR VEHICLE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Claims 1-17 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 9, and 11-12 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claims 18-20 are canceled. Claims 1 and 5 are independent.